

**In the Claims**

1. (Cancelled)
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11. (new) A gear wheel construction for belt conveyor devices, said gear wheel construction including a multiplicity of teeth, each formed by a pair of adjoining contacting half teeth, comprising a first gear wheel portion having a first web surface, said first half gear wheel portion including a first plurality of first half teeth side, each first half tooth of which defines a first half tooth side, a second gear wheel portion having a second web surface, said second gear wheel portion including a second plurality of second half teeth, each second half tooth of which defines a second half tooth side, adjustable coupling means for rotatively coupling said first and second gear wheel portions, one against the other by adjustable coupling means, said adjustable coupling means comprising radially displaceable screw means engaging in corresponding threaded holes formed in said in said first gear wheel portion and passing through enlarged holes formed in said second gear wheel portion, thereby, as

said first and second gear wheel portions are coupled each first side of said first half teeth contacts a respective second side of said second half teeth to provide a single tooth of said gear construction.